

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 9, 1988

TO: Luria Brothers and Company, Inc. RCRA File
IND 095264818, Gary, Lake County

THRU: D. Bruce Kizer
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FROM: Ted F. Warner TW
Compliance Monitoring Section

SUBJECT: Trip Report for the Scheduled Inspection of
September 22, 1988

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



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On September 22, 1988, I inspected the abandoned Luria Brothers and Company, Inc., site located at 6633 West Industrial Highway, Gary, Indiana. I obtained permission and access to the site from the adjacent Western Scrap Corporation owner, Mr. Peter Coules.

Preinspection File Audit

(1980's) JmH

In early 1987, Luria Brothers and Company, Inc., attempted to recycle steel industrial waste (deoiling). The facility closed in December of 1981. The property is now abandoned.

Luria Brothers & Co.'s federal notification was for treatment of K062 and F006. The facility was last inspected on January 9, 1987. The information from that inspection was referred to the U.S. EPA. Our Plan Review and Permit Section is working with facility contacts and contractors in order to process an approved closure plan.

Inspection Findings

My inspection revealed that the site is still abandoned, although there are some changes from my last inspection. Someone is dumping and burning used tires on-site (see attached photographs). In addition to the tire problem, there are eleven (11) containers of what appears to be used oil in the northeast corner of the abandoned building complex.

Conclusions and Recommendations

As a result of this inspection, I will provide Mr. Jim Mattes of our Plan Review and Permit Section with a copy of this field trip report in order to keep him informed of the present site conditions.

TFW/rmw

cc: Mr. Jim Mattes

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